

French Dispute

U.N. Authority

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April 24 (AP)—France maintained yesterday that the U.N. General Assembly does not have the power even to make recommendations on the use of force to maintain peace.

The French statement to the special 33-nation Committee on Peacekeeping was in direct opposition to the U.S. position that the 114-nation Assembly has full powers to deal with any peacekeeping problem, including the recommendation for peace forces.

The French statement appeared to go beyond the Soviet claim that the Assembly could make recommendations on peacekeeping only after the Security Council failed to act.